

EMERGENCY TARIFF BILL TO BE RUSHED THROUGH CONGRESS

Fordney Measure Will Be First Important Legislation of Extra Session.

HARDING ASKS PASSAGE AS AID TO FARMERS

House Ways and Means Committee Members Vote to Revive Act.

[By Associated Press.] WASHINGTON, March 21.—The Fordney emergency tariff bill, previously vetoed by former President Wilson, will be rushed through Congress as the first important legislation of the extra session.

According to the request of President Harding for passage of a measure to help farmers, crying for protection against foreign competition, Republican members of the House Ways and Means Committee turned about today and voted to revive the Fordney bill after agreeing almost unanimously a week ago not to consider any emergency legislation ahead of a permanent tariff and revenue revision.

Senate Finance Body Confers. Senators Penrose, Smoot and McCumber, conferees from the Senate Finance Committee, agreed to the new program, which, it was explained, needs the approval of the President. Senator Penrose expressed the belief that the emergency measure would be in the hands of Mr. Harding within ten days after the convening of the special session, April 11.

Several members of the House committee, including Chairman Fordney and Representatives Longworth and Green, conferred with Senator Penrose, who heads the Senate Finance Committee, after the former committee had reached its agreement. From this conference came the prediction that the measure would be rushed through the House under a special rule and through the Senate, possibly under limitation of debate as enforced by cloture.

Bill Has Six Months' Limit. The new Fordney bill will be presented with a six months' limitation, says its provisions will expire at an earlier date, should the permanent bill be enacted before expiration of the six months' period.

The House Ways and Means Committee at the end of an all-day session, apparently was in the utmost harmony. Calling in newspaper men at the close of the session, with members sitting around a long table in their shirt sleeves, Chairman Fordney set forth the final program with everybody expressing approval.

After disposing of the emergency measure in the first few days of the extra session, the House will take up and pass an anti-dumping bill, which will be followed by the bill measure fixing an American valuation on goods which must pay an ad valorem duty.

To Take Up Anti-Dumping Bill. Then will come the permanent tariff, which all Republican leaders hope will be broad enough to satisfy all interests in all national demands for upward revision. The actual work of framing it will begin tomorrow, according to those who witnessed the session.

Robert who was driving the plane, became confused and lost control of the machine as it neared the earth, according to those who witnessed the accident.

Farrington who was acting as Robert's instructor, realizing the danger, jumped and was crushed to death. Robert was killed when the plane struck on its side.

NEWSPAPER MEN ESCAPE DEATH BY DROWNING DAYTON, O., March 21.—Three newspaper men, Jack Senter, of the Columbus Dispatch, Commercial; George B. Miller, managing editor of the Battle Creek, Michigan, Monitor, and his son, George B. Miller, Jr., narrowly escaped drowning while bathing at Dayton Beach, it was learned here today.

The men were caught by an undertow and carried out into deep water, but were able to grab hold of a pier which they swung onto until help arrived.

They were members of the National Editorial Association, which held a convention recently at St. Augustine. Since the convention they have been visiting various cities in the state.

INDICT 15 IN LIQUOR STEAL NEW ORLEANS, La., March 21.—Fifteen men were indicted on three counts in connection with the theft from the Kentucky Distilling Company on March 5, of 3,000 gallons of 120 proof alcohol, valued at \$114,000, by the Federal grand jury late today. Conspiracy to possess, conspiracy to transport and conceal, and to sell alcohol were the specific charges set out in the indictment.

Plunges to Death in River. TUSCALOOSA, Ala., March 21.—W. D. Delaney, twenty-two, of Leighton, Ala., student in the engineering department of the University of Alabama, was drowned late this afternoon when he plunged into the Warrior River from Lock 12, after having complained of dizziness while walking on the lock.

2 MURDERERS TO HANG SHREVEPORT, La., March 21.—After deliberating twenty-six minutes, a jury which the court was asked three times for additional instructions, the jury in the case against John R. Parker, of Logansport, La., and Earl R. Holmes, of Burton, Kan., confessed murderers of William W. Roberts, at Mansfield, La., late today returned a verdict of guilty as charged.

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NO RUSSIAN TRADE DURING RED RULE

Hoover's Statement Is Taken as Indication of His Prominence in Administration.

HUGHES HAS BEEN SILENT

Although Not an Official Pronouncement, Is an Indication of Policy.

[By John Glessner.] United News Staff Correspondent. WASHINGTON, March 21.—The statement of Secretary of Commerce Hoover today that resumption of trade with Bolshevik Russia is impossible is taken not only as an expression of the view of the administration, but as an indication of the prominence Hoover will assume in the government, and the scope of the activities he intends to undertake.

Hoover said trade with Russia cannot start so long as the Bolsheviks are in control. Trade, of course, is a matter for the consideration of the Secretary of Commerce. But heretofore, dealings with Russia have been exclusively a State Department matter, because of their political ramifications. The State Department would trade, and finally said it would be impossible.

Comment Is Unofficial. So far, Secretary of State Hughes has been silent on the subject, and Hoover's comment was without State Department knowledge. Such a departure in recent years might have been a sensation.

Hughes recently, however, has had the Russian trade situation under consideration, as well as the political aspects of relations. And it can be stated that Hoover's opinion conforms to that of the State Department, while it is not an official pronouncement of American policy. It is a definite index of what that policy will be.

Hoover already has interested himself in a variety of subjects, indicating his intention of developing a new department of Commerce. He announced he will head a committee of shipping and trade experts to advise on establishment of trade routes. The merchant marine act of 1920 provided this very thing, but it had been supposed the Shipping Board would have the task.

Hoover Names Committee. Hoover's new committee of business men to help in creating co-operation between business and the government. He has interested himself in transportation—rail, inland waterway and maritime—on the theory that transportation vitally affects commerce. He has some very definite ideas on the functions of the Shipping Board and the Interstate Commerce Commission, and has presented them at Cabinet meetings.

Hoover has concerned himself also with the projected reorganization of the executive departments, insisting that the various agencies should be brought under proper and definitely confined control. He has had particular interest in effecting a "bridge" between the trade-exploitation activities of the Departments of State and Commerce.

Activities Show Prominence. These activities, in the opinion of observers here, mark Hoover as the big man of the "outside circle" of the Cabinet, just as Harry Daugherty is credited with being the big man of the "inner circle." Few Cabinet members have entered office with more extensive programs or have started to carry them out with as great dispatch.

Regarding Russia, Hoover said, in brief, that under the existing economic system, there can be no return to production, that Russia therefore will have little to export, and as a consequence of this, little ability to pay for her imports.

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INCOME AND PROFIT TAXES NET U. S. \$600,000,000

[By Associated Press.] WASHINGTON, March 21.—Approximately \$600,000,000 was collected by the government in income and profits taxes on the first of Saturday night, according to reports today to the Treasury. This amount is \$100,000,000 in excess of the estimate made by Secretary Mellon for the March 15 return and was the limit expected by officials in the department of changed conditions in the country.

About \$550,000,000 was collected by the government for the same quarter a year ago, but the showing so far was regarded as excellent for this quarter. Complete reports on the amount collected will not be available for several days because of delays in hearing from outlying districts.

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POLES TO APPEAL VOTE ON SILESIA

Action to Be Taken in Event German Victory Is Confirmed.

ASK U. S. FOR OBSERVER

Call America's Attention to Means of Resistance to Defeat Plebiscite Purposes.

[By Associated Press.] WASHINGTON, March 21.—Polish officials here express the opinion today that Poland might appeal to the Council of the Ambassadors and to the league of nations from the result of the Upper Silesia plebiscite, should the official count be confirmatory of the German victory unofficially reported today. They are asking to enter strenuous life once more—a constant threat to any government in power. "Oh, there are still some tigers left in India," he replied to a question as to the big bag of game he is reported to have shot in the East.

"I am very, very happy," he continued, "that I have been able to see the fighting statesman visit his niece in a town near Paris until Wednesday, when he will return to the capital."

The French, always stirred by the dramatic, may be expected to see to it that the visit to Clemenceau's return. Whether he maintains a passive attitude or whether he writes criticisms of the government, his mere presence will act as a stimulant on French thought and will affect the course of politics to no slight degree.

Should an appeal be made to the league of nations, it was said that an impartial tribunal might be asked to review the plebiscite. In such a case, it was suggested that a representative of the United States might be asked to serve, as was done by the league in the Aland Island dispute.

It became known today that last November request was made of the State Department by the Polish government through the Polish legation in Washington for the appointment by the United States of an American representative to observe the alleged illegal methods which, it was charged, Germany was resorting to in order to further her designs upon the territory.

Send Note to U. S. In a note to the State Department of November 8, 1920, the attention of the American government was called by the Polish government "to the powerful means of resistance and defense to defeat the purposes of the plebiscite" which the German government was organizing.

"It is of the utmost value," it was further represented, "that the United States government should realize how important looms before the world at present the question, whether Upper Silesia will be allowed to remain attached to Germany or will be allotted to Poland."

"On that question hinges entirely the future of German militarism, for without Silesia Germany is sure never to be able to undertake her revenge."

"The Polish government considers it necessary to represent this condition and to bring to the attention of the United States that the peace of Europe will greatly depend upon the issue which the present developments are allowed to take by those who are called upon to insure to the world a just and peaceful existence based on those principles which America was first to lay down in obtaining peace for the world."

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RESCUE PRISONER FROM ANGRY MOB IN KENTUCKY [By Associated Press.] HICKMAN, Ky., March 21.—Oscar Seay, a white man, living at Bondurant Station, near here, was rescued from an armed mob by county officers late today and brought to jail here. Seay, it had been reported, had unmercifully beaten an 18-months-old baby girl with a cane, inflicting serious injuries.

The mob went to Seay's house and was attempting to enter it, when county officials arrived and persuaded them to let them have the prisoner. Seay was rushed to a waiting automobile and brought to Hickman, where he was held in custody. Many shots were fired. Seay is said to have become incensed at the child's crying while it had been left in charge of his wife, the mother being at work.

MAJOR-GENERAL LIGGETT RETIRES FROM SERVICE [By United News.] SAN FRANCISCO, March 21.—Major-General Hunter Liggett, commander of the American army in France during the war and since commander of the Western United States army, retired from the army Monday at the end of forty years continuous service.

One of the most distinguished military figures in the United States, General Liggett has a long service record that equals that of any army man in the country. He will make his home in San Francisco.

TRAIN KILLS SOLDIERS [By Associated Press.] CORLENS, March 21.—Privates Thomas Hanenkrat of Strasburg, Ohio, and Lawrence Murphy, of El Paso, Texas, of the American army of occupation, were killed today when the Cologne express struck a truck which they were driving at Weissenthurm, Private Lawrence Baker, the third man in the truck, was seriously injured.

The bodies of Hanenkrat and Murphy will be returned to the United States.

TO TAX HUN IMPORTS [By United News.] BRUSSELS, March 21.—The Belgian Cabinet has agreed to introduce a bill similar to that passed in England, providing for a 50 per cent tax on all imports from Germany, the tax to be subtracted from payment to German merchants, and paid into the Belgian treasury.

Bronzed and Weather-Beaten, Clemenceau Returns to France

[By United News.] TOULON, March 21.—Bronzed and weather-beaten, brimming over with good health and high spirits, Georges Clemenceau, France's war Premier, returned to French soil today, landing, perhaps significantly, at the spot where Napoleon first touched on his return from Elba.

"Who has taken the longest vacation of his long political career, enforced through the fall of his government, was apparently younger than ever when he stepped ashore. And while he refused to talk politics, he was mentally and physically equipped to enter strenuous life once more—a constant threat to any government in power. "Oh, there are still some tigers left in India," he replied to a question as to the big bag of game he is reported to have shot in the East.

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AMAZING FIGURES SHOW SOUTH LEADS RAIL OWNERS' PLAN GOES TO CONGRESS

Nation's Greatest Asset, Declares Editor of Manufacturers' Record.

GROWTH IS PHENOMENAL. Section Can Duplicate Entire Raw Material Output of United States.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] DAYTONA, Fla., March 21.—Amazing figures, showing the South as the nation's greatest asset, were presented today in an address by Richard H. Edmonds, editor of the Manufacturers' Record, before the National Editorial Association.

After reviewing the history of the South, Mr. Edmonds said: "The South is nearly one-third of the total area of the United States. It has three-fifths of the coast line of the country."

The South produces practically all of the cotton raised in the United States which is about 65 per cent of all the cotton grown in the world. It produces over 50 per cent of the entire oil output of the United States. It has three-fourths of the coking coal area of the country.

Its coal area is twice as great as that of all Europe, including Russia, and five times as great as all of Europe, excluding Russia. The extent of its iron ores is in keeping with the magnitude of its coal supply.

The South is producing a very considerable proportion of the entire agricultural products of the country. Without its sulphur, which comprises 99 per cent of the entire output of the United States and about three-quarters of the world's output, it would have been impossible for this country to produce the explosives needed in the recent war, without its cotton, there would have been the same impossibility, for upon these two materials depends the ability of the nation to produce the munitions needed for war work.

Of the South's white population about 4 per cent is foreign born compared with the rest of the country, which has over 27 per cent foreign born. In this connection it is interesting to know that in a letter written to me last year Jesse Grant, son of General Grant, said that his father forty years ago had been a slave.

LADY ASTOR IS THREATENED WITH DEATH BY SOLDIER [By Associated Press.] PLYMOUTH, ENGLAND, March 21.—Lady Astor had an unpleasant encounter here Saturday when, as she was leaving her residence, a soldier halted her, made use of violent language, and threatened to kill her. Realizing that a display of force might be followed by an attack, Lady Astor sought for time and tried to get the man's name and address.

Her tactics were so successful that the soldier started to run, with his questioner in close pursuit. The chase led first to some stables and then to a public house, the soldier finally being caught and turned over to the police.

Lady Astor, however, expressed the wish that no proceedings be taken against the man.

Steamer at Sea Sends S.O.S. BOSTON, March 21.—Wireless messages said to have been sent out by the steamer W. H. H. today said that the steamer South Pole had broken down at sea and was in need of immediate assistance. The position of the South Pole was given as latitude 40.16 north, longitude 72.16 west, which is about 200 miles east of New York.

Weather Helps Former Emperor. DOORN, HOLLAND, March 21.—The recent mild spring weather apparently is having a favorable influence on the former Emperor V. of Germany, who has long been seriously ill of heart trouble. She constantly is conscious now and is feeling stronger.

Chicago to Move Clocks Forward. CHICAGO, March 21.—Chicago's clocks will be moved forward one hour next Sunday morning. The daylight-saving plan will be in effect until the last Sunday in October.

EXPERT APPROVES FIREMEN'S TACTICS

National Underwriters' Board Gives Local Force Clean Bill in Jurgens-Hopkins Blaze.

RELIEF DRIVE COMES TO END

Orphans Contribute \$10 to Families of Victims—Fund Reaches \$25,000.

Complete approbation of the methods used by Chief W. H. Joyner and the Fire Department in fighting the disastrous Jurgens-Hopkins fire on March 13, was contained in a report of the investigation conducted by the National Board of Fire Underwriters, made to Colonel William M. Myers, Director of Public Safety, yesterday. No criticism of the action of the department could be found except in minor details.

The report is preliminary and will be followed by a more detailed one. P. A. Raymond, considered an expert on such matters, made the report after going thoroughly over the situation.

Advices More Hydrants. An opinion was contained in the report to the effect that the attention of the Director of Public Safety is called to the desirability of having a water for handling fire in upper stories of large buildings and to the necessity for closer spacing of large hydrants, also to the necessity of additional water supply for the Broad Street district.

The report states that the accident which resulted in the death of the four firemen and one civilian was not only unavoidable, but could have been foreseen. To all appearances the roof of the Hopkins building was perfectly safe, and the point from which to fight the fire, the roof states. Further, the report says in inspection of the premises would indicate that the west wall, on the Adams Street side, should have been the first to fail.

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Text of Report. The letter to Colonel Myers, which is signed by George W. Booth, chief engineer of the National Board of Fire Underwriters, under date of March 19, follows:

"Mr. Raymond has returned from Richmond and reports briefly that he can find no criticism of the action of the department at the Jurgens fire of March 13, except in minor details."

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7 KILLED, 12 WOUNDED IN IRISH AMBUSCADE [By Associated Press.] DUBLIN, March 21.—Seven members of the crown forces, including an officer, were killed, and twelve were wounded when a train was ambushed today, according to official announcement. The attack occurred near Headford Junction, County Kerry.

Immediate reports of attacks on the Cummins-Esch bill, if it is a failure, should give way to real government ownership rather than to a makeshift, as they term the Warfield plan. They have their own eye fixed on the equipment companies which they regard as largely responsible for the excessive expenses under which the roads now operate and which they say are really owned by the same interests that own most of the railroad.

Senator Cummins was unwilling, according to reports, to accept the plan. The attack occurred near Headford Junction, County Kerry.

SAILOR DIES AS RESULT OF NORFOLK TROLLEY MISHAP [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] NORFOLK, Va., March 21.—Alex. Martinson, a seaman, died in St. Vincent's Hospital last night of internal injuries suffered when struck by a trolley car on Main Street late yesterday. Martinson's left leg was fractured, and his thigh also injured.

Inquest into the case will be held by Coroner Miller at 10 P. M. tomorrow. J. M. Winston, motorman of the car, was arraigned on charge of manslaughter in Police Court today and the case continued until Thursday morning. He was released under \$500 bail.

REVERSE LANDIS' ORDER [By Associated Press.] CHICAGO, Ill., March 21.—Federal Judges F. E. Baker and Samuel Alton yesterday reversed the order of Judge K. M. Landis closing the Entertainers' Cafe, well-known South Side cabaret, for one year. The reversal was on the ground that the government officials who confiscated liquor at the cafe did not have a search warrant.

Judge Landis today issued injunctions, closing three more saloons for one year.

Liquor Seized; Turns Burglar. [By United News.] SEATTLE, WASH., March 21.—Because Federal officials drove him into debt by seizing 1,000 worth of liquor that he was running in here, Charles Edmonds turned burglar, he told the police tonight. Twenty-two burglaries have been cleared up and \$5,000 worth of loot recovered by the police. Edmonds' arrest, according to the authorities, was the last of a series.

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POLICE SEEK 2 BOYS IN NORFOLK BLAZE

Burning of John Marshall School Causes \$200,000 Loss.

FIRE PAPER AND RUBBISH

Passer-By Observes Smoke Coming From Basement—Remonstrates With Youths.

[By Associated Press.] NORFOLK, Va., March 21.—Small boy vandalism is believed by the police to have been responsible for the destruction by fire this afternoon of the John Marshall School building here. Two youngsters were discovered in the basement of the school building by Charles Dreyfus, who observed smoke issuing from that part of the building, and went in to investigate.

When Dreyfus undertook to trample out the burning rags and paper, the boys remonstrated with him, telling him to let it burn so they would not have to go back to school. A statement to this effect was made to the police this afternoon by Dreyfus.

The fire was discovered ten minutes after the pupils, nearly 1,000 in number, had been dismissed for the day. Only the teachers and a few belated children were in the building when the alarm of fire was spread by Dreyfus. All escaped to safety. The building, valued at \$200,000, and carrying \$75,000 insurance, was completely gutted by the flames, only the walls remaining.

The police are investigating the report of incendiarism.

TO MOVE ALLEGED SLAYER OF CROWHITE TO TACOMA [By Associated Press.] PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 21.—Holland R. Pothier, formerly a sergeant in the army, who is held here as the slayer of Major Alexander Crowhite, in October, 1918, soon will be removed from this Federal jurisdiction to Tacoma, Wash., if present plans are carried out. United States District Peter C. Cannon said today that within a few days he would ask the court for an order of removal.

Pothier is in jail in default of \$10,000 bail, having entered a plea of guilty of involuntary manslaughter when arraigned before a United States commissioner last Saturday.

When arraigned before a United States commissioner last Saturday, Pothier was charged with the murder of Major Crowhite. It is understood that other witnesses of the shooting are to be examined at Tacoma.

ALLEGED THEY FOUND LIQUOR NEAR POSTMASTER'S HOUSE [By Associated Press.] SCOTTSBORO, Ala., March 21.—State law enforcement deputies, during a series of raids in Jackson county, just ended, report the arrest on a charge of violating the prohibition laws of George Higdon, postmaster and justice of the peace at Higdon, Ala.

Fifteen gallons of liquor, hidden under a brush heap near Higdon's residence were discovered, according to the report. During the raids two sixty-five gallon stills, a quantity of moonshine and 1,000 gallons of beer were reported by the law enforcers as having been captured.

GEORGIANS ROUT TURKS [By United News.] CONSTANTINOPLE, March 21.—Following the issuing of a proclamation that Ratum had been annexed by Turkish forces, the city, after heavy street fighting, succeeded in driving out the Turks.

The Georgians also attacked Turkish positions seventy kilometers outside of the city and the fortifications were considerably damaged by the Georgian artillery.

Sheriff's Posse After Sinner. KIDDESBORO, Ky., March 21.—A sheriff's posse is hot on the trail of a man known to be the murderer of Levi Mason, a constable engaged by Russell County, who was shot from ambush this morning at about 7 o'clock. The murder occurred at Brownie's Creek, about eighteen miles from here. Mr. Mason was on duty at the time he was killed, and was separated temporarily from the other officers of the party.

Wrenge Appeals for Help. [By Associated Press.] CONSTANTINOPLE, March 21.—Appeals are being made by many nations by General Wrangel, head of the Russian government, who was driven from Crimea by the Bolsheviks, for aid against the Bolshevik forces. He still believes there is a chance to defeat the Soviet government, and drive Lenin and Trotsky from power in Moscow.

Irish Home Rule Effective April 10. [By United News.] LONDON, March 21.—The cabinet committee on home rule in Ireland has unanimously decided to recommend to the cabinet that home rule be established under the present act on April 10, the Labor Herald reports.

Ex-Governor of Arkansas Ill. LITTLE ROCK, Ark., March 21.—Charles Hillman Brough, former Governor of Arkansas, is critically ill with a complication of diseases at his home here.

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA., March 21.—The Oklahoma Senate, sitting as an impeachment court, began today the taking of testimony in the impeachment proceedings against Lieutenant Governor M. E. Trapp, charged in resolutions adopted by the House with irregularities in bond purchases from several counties. A motion to quash the indictment against Trapp was made today.

HARDING REGIME IS UNDER 3 FIRES IN WET AND DRY TEST

Saloon League Wants 100 Per Cent Prohibitionist as Internal Revenue Commissioner.

DRUGGISTS AND CHEMISTS SEEK AID FROM KRAMER

Ask Protection Against Air-tight Regulations Covering Issuance of Permits.

[By United News.] WASHINGTON, March 21.—From three different directions the Harding administration is now under a "wet-or-dry" test.

President Harding has been personally called upon by Wayne Wheeler, general counsel of the Anti-Saloon League of America, to name as internal revenue commissioner a man 100 per cent dry in thought and action.

The Attorney-General has been called upon to defend the latest and perhaps the most drastic attack upon the validity of the prohibition amendment, and

The prohibition commissioner, John Kramer, has been called upon by the Wholesale Drug Manufacturers' Association and the American Association of Pharmaceutical Chemists for protection against air-tight regulations covering the issuance of permits for medicinal beverages of alcoholic content.

Woman Defends Amendment. In two of the "tests" the government will be represented by appointees holding over from the Democratic administration. Miss Anne Adams, of the Attorney-General's office, a Palmer appointee, is defending the attack launched Monday on the constitutionality of the prohibition amendment. Her appearance in the case marks her second as counsel for the government in defense of the dry law.

Kramer also is a Democratic appointee. As for President Harding's part in the latest activity about the wet-and-dry question, Wheeler has called upon him to secure an internal revenue commissioner who will "honestly enforce the dry law." And it was a coincidence, widely commented upon, that while this conference was

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RECORD SPRING HEAT FOR MARCH ARRIVES

[By Associated Press.] WASHINGTON, March 21.—The beginning of spring today brought to the Atlantic Coast region of the United States the highest temperatures ever reached for March 21.

Washington led nearly a dozen cities in the coastal region with an official temperature of 89 and a street-level temperature of 93. The capital sizzled and sweated as in mid-July.

New York reported a record March 21 temperature of 80; Philadelphia, 82; Boston, 82; Hartford, Conn., 82; Portland, Me.,